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Re: Response to Election/Restriction Requirement

Invention:

CURRENT COLLECTING STRUCTURE AND

ELECTRODE STRUCTURE

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## RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT AND ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the July 19, 2011 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicant respectfully responds to the same and reiterates its prior June 10, 2011 Response to Election/Restriction Requirement. The present submission addresses the discrepancies identified by the Examiner in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and is fully responsive to the April 12, 2011 Election/Restriction Requirement (the "Restriction Requirement").

Regarding the Restriction Requirement contained within the Office Action (the "Office

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Response to Restriction Requirement Dated April 12, 2011

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Action"), Applicant reiterates its prior June 10, 2011 response to the Restriction Requirement,

without traverse, in connection with the claims in the above-referenced patent application (the

"Application"). Specifically, Applicant elects the Group I invention, and claims 1, 4-6 and 11-15

directed thereto, without traverse, for prosecution in the present Application. In addition,

Applicant respectfully elects Species 2 within Group I, and claims 12 & 13 relating thereto, in

addition claims 1, 4-6, 14 and 15 generic to either species within Group I.

Applicant previously petitioned for a one (1) month extension of time to extend the

period for response to the Restriction Requirement to Monday, June 13, 2011 (taking into

consideration that June 12, 2011 falls on a Sunday), and addressed payment of the \$65,00 fee for

the extension of time at the time of electronically filing the prior Response.

The claims as reflected in the following listing of claims that start on page 3 of this

Response will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in the Application. Applicant's

Remarks begin on page 7 of this Response.